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HOUSE RESOLUTION 130
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A RESOLUTION To commend the Chattanooga Police Department for its excellent utilization of Safe Neighborhood Act funding, and for its honorable and astute service to the people of Tennessee.

WHEREAS, It is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those distinguished law enforcement officials who have dedicated themselves to improving the quality of life for their fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, The Chattanooga Police Department comprises one such group of law enforcement personnel which, upon receipt of federal funds under the Safe Neighborhood Act of 1998, has significantly increased the level of safety throughout the City, and

WHEREAS, The Department received \$342,022 in funds from the Act, thus adding 37 police officers to the force to take up roles patrolling Chattanooga's seven police zones; and

WHEREAS, This increase in patrols has enabled more experienced officers to work assignments in the Department's street and property crime areas to combat the rising problem of home invasions and to assist in selective traffic enforcement programs; and

WHEREAS, Other officers have been freed up to work as School Resource Officers, an area where the Department has been able to nearly triple the police presence in middle schools and high schools during the last year; and

WHEREAS, The Chattanooga Police Department is wholly committed to the noble precepts of public service, and should be specially recognized for its unflagging efforts to protect the good citizens of Chattanooga; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That we hereby honor the Chattanooga Police Department for its excellent utilization of its Safe Neighborhood Act funding, and commend each member of the force for their honorable and astute service to the good people of Chattanooga,.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.